

The Iowa Council on Homelessness

DRAFT MINUTES

CONTINUUM OF CARE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

10:30 a.m.

Location: The Iowa Finance Authority

Address: 2015 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50312

A Continuum of Care Committee was held on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at the request of Chair Beilke-McCallum.

OPENING

Chair Beilke-McCallum called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. and the following voting members were present: Beilke-McCallum, Kellogg, Lauterbach, and Timm. A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Mr. Lauterbach and seconded by Ms. Kellogg, the agenda for the March 10, 2015 Continuum of Care Committee meeting was unanimously approved.

REVIEW CoC COMMITTEE MISSION

Mr. Beilke-McCallum briefly reminded the committee members what they are charged with completing as it pertains to the application, scoring, and ranking for the annual Continuum of Care competition among other things. Mr. Beilke-McCallum also stated that he wants everyone to know how much money is available for new projects as soon as possible.

UPDATES FROM NAEH FAMILY CONFERENCE

Ms. Eberbach with the Institute for Community Alliances, who recently attended the National Alliance to End Homelessness's Family Conference in San Diego, provided a brief update on what was reported to those in attendance. Ms. Eberbach relayed that HUD is not expecting to have to make cuts like they have the past couple years in the Continuum of Care Program.

RENEWAL APPLICATIONS/ CoC SCORING/PRIORITIZATION

Mr. Beilke-McCallum questioned the committee on what they thought was best on how to rank programs and how many should be moved into Tier 2. Should it be the lowest scoring projects? Should there be a replication of what happened last year?

Mr. Beilke-McCallum stated that the committee and the ICH seek to support programs that are adopting the strategies that have been proven to work. Examples include programs that have adopted prioritization in their work, and have a focus to serve individuals through permanent supportive housing or rapid rehousing. He noted that the only way to do this is to reallocate money from programs that are unwilling to change and further noted that this is a change that is going to have to happen gradually.

Ms. Lewis questioned if scoring should begin now or if scoring should wait for the NOFA to drop. She also questioned if stakeholder comments will be responded to in writing to those that have sent them in. It was decided that it's best if comments are responded to in writing.

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On motion by Ms. Kellogg and seconded by Mr. Lauterbach it was moved that the 2nd draft of the Continuum of Care application should be presented at the March ICH meeting (being a revised application that reflects comments received and has a revised scoring mechanism). The motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next meeting of the CoC Committee will be on Tuesday, March 31st at 10:30 a.m. The next regularly scheduled, recurring meeting will be April 14th at 10:30 a.m. Regularly scheduled meetings will occur the second Tuesday of every month.

ADJOURN

On motion by Ms. Kellogg and seconded by Mr. Lauterbach, the March 10, 2015 meeting of the Continuum of Care Committee was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Voting Members Present

1. Zeb Beilke-McCallum, Chair of Committee, Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence
2. Barb Kellogg, North Iowa Community Action Organization
3. Dennis Lauterbach, Lutheran Services in Iowa
4. Tony Timm, Central Iowa Shelter & Services

Others Present

1. Julie Eberbach, Institute for Community Alliances
2. Amber Lewis, Iowa Finance Authority
3. Josh McRoberts, Iowa Finance Authority